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**REQUEST  
FOR  
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
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Application No.	09/336,933
Filing Date	June 21, 1999
First Named Inventor	Mark C. Liefer
Art Unit	2685
Examiner Name	P. Tran
Attorney Docket Number	15685P024

**This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.**  
Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR § 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. **Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114** Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).
- a. ☐ Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
2. **Miscellaneous**
- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.
- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 02-2666.
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) and any additional claims fee(s)
- ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.136 and 1.17)
- iii. ☐ Other: (\$00) \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$790.00 enclosed
- c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosd)
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**SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED**

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Signature	<i>Philip A. Pedigo</i>	Date	January 12, 2005

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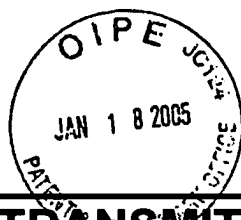
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Based on PTO/SB/30 (09-03) as modified by Blakely, Solokoff, Taylor & Zafman (wtr) 02/10/2004.  
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# FEE TRANSMITTAL for FY 2005

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☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

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## Complete if Known

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## METHOD OF PAYMENT (check all that apply)

☒ Check ☐ Credit card ☐ Money Order ☐ None ☐ Other (please identify):

☐ Deposit Account Deposit Account Number: 02-2666 Deposit Account Name: Blakely, Sokoloff, Taylor & Zafman LLP

For the above-identified deposit account, the Director is hereby authorized to: (check all that apply)

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under 37 CFR §§ 1.16, 1.17, 1.18 and 1.20.

## FEE CALCULATION

### 1. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
57	57*	0	\$0.00
3	3*	0	\$0.00
Multiple Dependent			

Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Description
Fee Code	Fee Code	
1202 50	2202 25	Claims in excess of 20
1201 200	2201 100	Independent claims in excess of 3
1203 360	2203 180	Multiple Dependent claim, if not paid
1204 300	2204 150	**Reissue independent claims over original patent
1205 300	2205 150	**Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent
SUBTOTAL (1)		(\$)
		0.00

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### 2. ADDITIONAL FEES

Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Description	Fee Paid
Fee Code	Fee Code		
1051 130	2051 65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
1052 50	2052 25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet.	
2053 130	2053 130	Non-English specification	
1251 120	2251 60	Extension for reply within first month	
1252 450	2252 225	Extension for reply within second month	
1253 1,020	2253 510	Extension for reply within third month	
1254 1,590	2254 795	Extension for reply within fourth month	
1255 2,160	2255 1,080	Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401 500	2401 250	Notice of Appeal	
1402 500	2402 250	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403 1,000	2403 500	Request for oral hearing	
1451 1,510	2451 1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1460 130	2460 130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
1807 50	1807 50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
1806 180	1806 180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
1809 790	1809 395	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
1810 790	2810 395	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	
Other fee (specify)			
SUBTOTAL (2)		(\$)	790.00

## SUBMITTED BY

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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

In response to the Office action mailed October 14, 2004, please enter this amendment and consider the following remarks.

A listing of the claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 17 of this paper.